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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, relative to authorizing a business to cover or recover its costs associated with distributing a tax refund to its customers in certain circumstances.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 67-1-1802(a), is amended by deleting the period at the end of the last sentence of subdivision (1) and by adding the following language:

; provided that, notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, in refunding or crediting such taxes to customers, the taxpayer may decrease the amount of the tax refund due to a customer by the reasonable costs to the taxpayer associated with researching the amount of the tax paid in error, requesting a tax refund from the state for such taxes paid in error and distributing the refunds to the customer and the claim, cause of action, or other proceeding by the customer against the taxpayer shall only be allowed for the full amount of the taxes paid minus such reasonable costs to the taxpayer.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring

it.